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TO: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Chair

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FROM: J. Tyler McCauley

Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE CONTRACT MONITORING PROJECT (Board Agenda Item

#5.4, June 21, 2004)

At the meeting of June 21, 2004, your Board instructed the Auditor-Controller to continue with the contract monitoring pilot project and to report back in nine months. This is to request an extension to report on the status of the contract monitoring project to your Board by June 30, 2005.

On April 29, 2003, the Board directed the Auditor-Controller to establish a pilot project to test the merits of centralizing the County's contract monitoring function to strengthen the County's ability to monitor its contractors. In June 2004, we reported to your Board that the pilot project demonstrated that the centralized approach is an effective, efficient manner to accomplish the County contract monitoring functions. We are in the process of completing a survey of the social service departments for feedback on the pilot project's accomplishments and areas for improvement.

If you have any question, please call me or have your staff call Don Chadwick at (626) 293-1102.

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